

Council on Developmental Disabilities

Council Meeting Minutes

October 25, 2007 8:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

July 26, 2007, 8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Location: Marriott Spring Hill Suites, Boise, Idaho

Call to order	Rick Betzer called the meeting to order at 8:35 am.
- Welcome and Introduction	<u>Council members present:</u> Mike Smith, Dona Butler, Debbie DePaola, Bob Jackson, Shiloh Blackburn, Julie Fodor, Gioia Frahm, Kim Kane, Jo Garrison, Angie Flores, Lisa Robbe-Soults, Toni Belknap-Brinegar, Alonzo Statham, James Steed, and Rick Betzer. <u>Members absent:</u> Leslie Clement, Jim Baugh, Corrine Johnson, Kristyn Herbert, Bill Elvey, and Jane Donnellan. <u>Staff members present:</u> Ron Enright, Marilyn Sword, Tracy Warren, Christine Pisani, Samantha Wallace and Amanda Holloway. <u>Visitors/Facilitators:</u> Michelle Britton, Kathleen Allyn, MCH Representative Mitch Scoggins.
- Review of Agenda	Introductions were given around the table. Rick Betzer reviewed the agenda.
Approval of July 26-27, 2007 Minutes	The minutes from the July 26-26, 2007 Council meeting were approved unanimously with a motion from Bob Jackson and a second from Mike Smith.
Chair's Report <i>Rick Betzer</i>	Rick talked about the Angels in Adoption award that he and his wife, Tina, received in Washington, D.C.. He also presented a slide show of his children.
NACDD Report <i>Rick Betzer, Marilyn Sword, Dona Butler, Christine Pisani</i>	Marilyn Sword presented information on the NACDD Meeting in San Diego that she attended with Dona Butler, Christine Pisani, and Rick Betzer. Marilyn, Dona, Rick, and Christine each discussed the sessions they attended. Dona brought back interactive materials and has them available to the Council. Marilyn Sword read an excerpt from

	<p>the book “Raymond’s Room” to the Council. The author, Dale Dileo was the opening keynote presenter at the conference. A copy of the book was given to each Council member.</p>
<p>Presentation on Changes at Idaho State School & Hospital (ISSH) - <i>Michelle Britton, FACS and Kathleen Allyn, Behavioral Health</i></p>	<p>Michelle Britton and Kathleen Allyn gave a presentation on the changes being discussed for the campus at Idaho State School & Hospital (ISSH). Currently there are 95 people at ISSH, 60% of whom have dual diagnosis (mental illness and developmental disabilities). The plans are to convert the three newest buildings from ICFs/MR to facilities to serve individuals who have both acute and chronic mental illness. These would have to be relicensed, potentially as Institutions for Mental Disease (IMDs). They also plan to tear down the “B” buildings (see map) at a cost of \$750,000 and build six 8-bed duplexes at a cost of \$6 million. There is also discussion of the Department of Corrections building a 300-bed facility adjacent to the prison south of Boise, 40 beds of which would be a replacement for the 12-bed Secure Medical Facility that is there now. If that happens, then the use of the 3 converted buildings on the ISSH campus could be changed to just acute care or as a “step down” facility for the secure unit at the prison. Bob Jackson brought up the need for a cost projection and analysis of their proposal, particularly compared to alternatives. There was discussion regarding the number of children served at ISSH. Council members also questioned why people (children) who could be served in the community had to be admitted to ISSH first before they could access the services they needed.</p>
<p>Update on changes at Medicaid - <i>Leslie Clement</i></p>	<p>Leslie Clement gave an update on the changes at Medicaid. She said that the Division was divided into 2 bureaus: Operations (under Paul Leary) and Licensing and Certification (under Randy May). In the Operations Bureau, there are 4 sections: Medical (Hospital admissions, pharmacy, Healthy Connections), DD Services (led by Ike Gayfield), Long Term Care (led by Sharon Duncan), and Mental Health/Substance Abuse (led by Pat Guidry). The DD Services unit includes Dave Simnitt who is responsible</p>

	for emerging programs and policy and three regional staff who also have specific statewide program responsibility:
Medicaid changes, cont'd.	<p>Tim Gerlitz, Regions 1 & 2 and Quality Assurance, Jean Christensen, Regions 3 & 4 and Operations, and Annette Wilkinson, Regions 5, 6 & 7 and Family and Childrens Services. Responsibility for certification of Developmental Disability agencies has moved from Operations to L & C with an agreement with Family and Community Services.</p> <p>Leslie also discussed the Division's Decision Unit budget requests, including \$19 million for a new Management Information System (Unisys), \$5 million for increasing payment rates to MH/DD providers, and \$4 million for increased payments to Assisted Living providers. She also talked about some of the emerging programs like transportation brokerages, Family Directed Services, outsourced dental benefits under the state plan, independent speech language and OT, expanded telehealth, a new family therapy benefit, and changes to accommodate the requirements of proposed federal rehabilitation rules.</p>
Video from Alliance for Full Participation Town Hall meeting	A video from the Alliance for Full Participation was shown to the Council. Members thought that it could be used in a variety of ways for public awareness and training.
Public Comment	There was no public comment.
Council Dinner <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Member Reports & Recognition - Team Building 	<p>Debbie Pimentel, wife of Richard Pimentel who is featured in the new movie, <i>Music Within</i>, spoke to the Council about the movie, some of Richard's accomplishments and expressed support for all the Council does. She also provided a poster of the movie to the Council. Council members provided reports on their activities and engaged in a team building game. Paige Fincher was recognized for the time she served on the Council, and was presented with a certificate.</p>

Call to Order	<p>Rick Betzer called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m. on Friday, October 26. Lisa Robbe-Soults reported that she had seen the movie “The Music Within” and that it was very good and worth seeing.</p> <p><u>Council Members Present:</u> Mike Smith, Leslie Clement, Jo Garrison, Angie Flores, Shiloh Blackburn, Rick Betzer,</p>
Committee Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consumer Leadership - Governance - Membership 	<p>James Steed, Mitch Scoggins, Gioia Frahm, Dona Butler, Debbie DePaola, Bob Jackson, Bill Elvey, Toni Belknap-Brinegar, Alonzo Statham and Lisa Robbe-Soults.</p> <p><u>Staff Members Present:</u> Ron Enright, Samantha Wallace, Amanda Holloway, Marilyn Sword, Tracy Warren, Christine Pisani.</p> <p>Shiloh Blackburn reported on the Consumer Leadership Caucus. The heard from Darcy Naser of FACS and talked about the Guardian ad Litem program.</p> <p>Debbie DePaola gave the Governance Committee report. The Committee discussed action items from the last meeting including a meeting that Rick Betzer and Marilyn Sword had with DHW Director Dick Armstrong which went very well. The Committee discussed budget shifts between areas of emphasis (within the authority of the Director to accomplish Council goals) and limits on the indirect rate that the Council would pay contractors (policy change to limit this not needed at this time).</p> <p>Julie Fodor provided the Membership Committee report. The Committee discussed the current vacancy created by the resignation of Heidi Stoddard and Gioia Frahm recommended approaching Grandparents as Parents (GAP) for a representative since there are many grandparents caring for their grandchildren with disabilities. Kim Kane also knew of someone in Region 5 who might be interested. This is a parent (or grandparent) position.</p> <p>The Committee also had several recommendations for future Council meeting presentations:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Grandparents as Parents - Hearing from participants using the self directed waiver option - Family Voices (Laurie Borrowman) - Alternative Assessment Process (Dept. of Ed) - Opportunities for Post-Secondary Education for students with disabilities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Public Policy (legislative slate presented) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Adaptive sports groups like Awesome in McCall or C.W. Hog in Pocatello <p>James Steed gave the Public Policy report. Lisa Robbe-Soults read the ISSH position statement to the Council. Christine Pisani suggested that Expansion of Crisis Management be included in the position statement. Marilyn suggested that the Council should add the last 2 bullets from the background to the position statement to address concerns from the Council. Kim Kane provided several recommended changes to improve the way the position statement read. Tracy Warren suggested that the background not be included in the position statement. Julie Fodor made a motion to accept the position statement with Kim Kane's and Tracy Warren's changes; second by Lisa Robbe-Soults. If Jim Baugh, who was not in attendance, had comments or changes, these could be incorporated. Motion carried with abstentions from Leslie Clement and Dona Butler.</p> <p>Marilyn presented the proposed changes to the Idaho Medical Consent Law, including recommendations that had come from a meeting with A Better Way Coalition after our fact sheet had been developed. Julie Fodor recommended that since we were not certain exactly what the changes would be, that this issue be postponed until a new draft could be presented.</p> <p>Shiloh Blackburn read the letter written to Dr. Michael Graham, Administrator of the Division of Vocational</p>

	<p>Rehabilitation, regarding the Council's position VR's budget request for an additional \$500,000. A motion was made by Bob Jackson with a second by Alonzo Statham, to accept the position outlined in the letter. That position was to support the appropriation increase with the provision that it would be used only for individuals in integrated settings. The motion carried. There was follow up discussion on strategies to ensure that the appropriation was used in this manner.</p>
<p>Financial Report <i>Amanda Holloway</i></p>	<p>Amanda Holloway provided the financial report for the last quarter and a recap of all funds. Rick Betzer suggested that the pages be labeled 'A' and 'B' or '1' and '2', to make is easier to review. A motion was made by James Steed, with a second by Bob Jackson, to approve the financial report; the motion carried.</p>
<p>Final FY 2008 Plan & Proposed FY 2008 Budget - Staff</p>	<p>Marilyn Sword went over the Final FY 2008 Plan and Proposed FY 2008 Budget with the Council. Ron Enright noted that the Employment Goal was in error and needed to be changed to read <i>"People are employed in the most integrated work setting."</i> This change will be submitted to ADD. Marilyn noted that the budget can only be considered as draft until Congress takes final action on an FY 2008 appropriation for Councils. At that time, she will bring a final budget back to the Council for approval. There was a motion by Julie Fodor to accept the budget draft as proposed with a second by Debbie DePaola; the motion carried.</p>
<p>Outcomes for 2007</p>	<p>Due to time limits, this presentation was presented as a handout to members.</p>
<p>Agenda items for next meeting: January 24-25, 2008</p>	<p>Marilyn Sword discussed the January 24-25, 2008 Council meeting and the changes recommended because of the renovation to the Statehouse. She said that she had talked with Co-Ad and CDHD about a DD Network Legislative Reception that will be held at the Crystal Ball Room instead of the usual Council Dinner and statehouse visits.</p>

Meeting Evaluation and Adjourn	The meeting evaluations were passed out to the Council. There was a motion to adjourn by Angie Flores, a 2nd by Bob Jackson; the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.
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